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## ABDICATION OF HUMBERT

Well-Founded Report That He Will Soon Retire.

### HIS SON TO SUCCEED HIM

Recent Visit of Count Goltzchowski and Baron Von Bismarck to the Emperor of Austria, and the King of Naples, Will Break Triple Alliance.

St. Louis, Nov. 28.—A special cable dispatch from Rome today says:

"It is generally reported here that King Humbert has resolved to abdicate in favor of his son, and that the recent visits of the Austrian chancellor, Count Goltzchowski, to Vienna, and of Baron Von Bismarck, the German foreign minister, to this city, were undertaken for the specific purpose of dissuading him from this extremely serious step, the very possibility of which constitutes a matter of grave concern to the Italian monarch's allies in the Triple Alliance, and this concern is chiefly founded on the fact that the Prince of Naples, who is the next heir to the throne, is far more favorably inclined toward Russia than toward either Austria or Germany."

"His beautiful wife, to whom he is deeply attached, is to all intents and purposes a Russian, having received her entire education from the Russian childhood in the Imperial palace, at the court of St. Petersburg, at the expense and under the supervision of the dowager empress, while it is the present King who has not only furnished her with a handsome dowry, but who likewise provides her father with the income which enables him to keep his large family in comfort and relative luxury."

"Moreover, the Prince of Naples has been received with greater distinction and regard at the court of St. Petersburg than anywhere else in Europe. At Berlin his treatment by the Kaiser is, although cordial, yet petting to an extent that it is almost insulting, while no equal respect is shown to him by the Emperor of Austria, the King of Italy and the King of Greece, on the one hand, and the reigning family of Austria on the other, since the mortifying refusal of Francis Joseph and of his empire to return the visit paid by the Italian sovereign to Vienna nearly fifteen years ago."

"Now, having the Prince of Naples' feelings in favor of an alliance of Italy with Russia, and in natural consequence thereof with France rather than with Austria and Germany, his sentiments in this respect being thoroughly in accord with those of the overwhelming majority of his father's subjects."

"It is not from any lack of courage

that the Prince of Naples declines to accept the throne of Italy, but because he is

convinced that the Triple Alliance is a

policy which will lead to the ruin of

Italy, and that the only way to secure

the independence and integrity of his

country is to ally himself with Russia

and France, and to oppose Austria and

Germany. He is, therefore, determined

to abdicate in favor of his son, and to

leave the throne to the Emperor of

Austria, who is the only monarch in

Europe who is not a member of the

Triple Alliance, and who is, therefore,

the only monarch who is in a position

to oppose the Triple Alliance, and to

secure the independence and integrity

of Italy, and of the Balkan peninsula

and the Near East, and of the whole

of Europe, and of the world, and of

the human race, and of the universe,

## THE ESTERHAZY LETTERS

Insulting and Abusive to the Army of France.

### Sensation Caused by Their Publication in Figaro—An Unnamed Person Figures in the Matter.

Paris, Nov. 28.—The Figaro has caused a sensation by printing correspondence that passed between Count Esterhazy and an unnamed person, in which it is said that a commissary of police had seized the unnamed person's residence in furtherance of the inquiry held by Gen. Pellieux into the charges and counter-charges made in connection with the Dreyfus affair.

In this correspondence Count Esterhazy writes in the grossest, most insulting and abusive manner respecting the French army and people. He says:

"Our great army chiefs are cowards and fools, and will once more prove German prisoners."

"In another place he writes that he would be perfectly happy to be killed 'as a captain of the Uhlans while cutting down the French.'"

He refers to himself as being in an atrocious situation, and as being capable of doing anything to escape it, to wit: "I would be perfectly happy to be killed 'as a captain of the Uhlans while cutting down the French.'"

Count Esterhazy declares that the letters are forgeries.

CUBANS CAPTURE A FORT.

### Havana City Almost Surrounded by Bands of Patriots.

Havana, Nov. 27, via Key West, Nov. 28.—Reports from Santiago de Cuba province have been received here, to the effect that the important Spanish fort, at Fomento, between Tunas de Arara and Júcaro, surrendered to the patriots a few days ago, after a short engagement, in which only one Spanish soldier was killed and two wounded.

After the first victory of the Cubans the Spanish garrison at the fort with their rifles, ammunition, and artillery. The whole garrison, composed of 150 men, surrendered, but the prisoners were released by the insurgents two hours later.

The capture resulted in a detachment of Gen. Calixto Garcia's army. Fear of the use of dynamite by the patriots is said to have been the cause of the speedy surrender of the Spanish.

The patriot bands are swarming around Havana city. They approach Morón, Guanabacoa, Regla, Juncos del Monte and El Cerro, neighboring towns, the first three being suburbs of the capital, and secure ammunition and victuals.

The general atmosphere here is that of a revolution. The patriot bands are said to be a failure.

La Lucha prints today a sensational editorial and some cable dispatches from Madrid, which say that the government has decided to leave untouched the delicate and important matter of the debt, now over \$500,000,000, and is to remain on the shoulders of poor Cuba.

The same journal continues its campaign against the Americans, and tries to prove that the American Government is not sincere in its dealings with Spain, on the subject of the annexation of Cuba under the pretense of interfering to bring about peace on the island.

BITTER FIGHT FOR MAYOR.

### More Than One Thousand Negroes Given Work for Votes.

Augusta, Ga., Nov. 28.—A three-cornered majority contest, the closest and hottest yet of its kind in the State's history, came to a close here tonight. The candidates were N. M. Dunbar, at present the postmaster, ex-Senator Patrick Walsh, and Daniel E. Kerr, leading figures in commercial circles.

The lines upon which the campaign was fought have a strongly national color. The A. P. A. and the Progressives are leading roles. The climax of the battle was reached today by Mr. Kerr's managing committee in openly engaging for labor 1,170 negroes, who are to report for duty on election day, Tuesday.

They have been employed to construct a branch of the Georgia Railroad. The need for such work is not obvious.

The negroes will be allowed to vote before beginning the day's work.

RELIEF SHIP BEAR SAILS.

### Expected to Bring Succor to Ice-bound Whaling Fleet.

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 28.—The United States revenue cutter Bear sailed last night, carrying succor to the whaling fleet imprisoned in the Arctic Ocean, on the northern shore of Alaska, between Point Barrow and Herschel Island. The overland journey will be nearly 1,000 miles.

After landing the overland party the Bear will go into winter quarters at Doru, while the general cargo is being treated by a Cincinnati expert.

They met at William Richardson's home near the Clay homestead. Richardson's wife drew a pistol on Tudor on one occasion and threatened to shoot him if he did not keep away from the young wife. He ceased his visits there, but has been seen by her brother at Valley View.

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## FOOD SCARCIE IN KLONDIKE

The Supply at Dawson City Reported Very Low.

### FLOUR \$140 PER HUNDRED

Return of a Party of Miners From Chilkat Who Left the Mining Region in September—Say There Is Much Gold There—What Some of the Claims Pay.

Tacoma, Wash., Nov. 28.—The steamer City of Seattle, which arrived today brought from Chilkat landing two parties, numbering twenty-five men, who arrived there, direct from Dawson City, ten days ago.

When these men left Dawson during the last days of September the food scarcity was then threatening. The stores remained closed and the single restaurant still open had given notice that its supplies were running low. The larger part of the supplies in the Klondike district were owned by a comparatively small number of men.

Some of the richest claim-owners went to Dawson with sacks of gold, and purchased a year's supply for as many men as they expected to employ working their mines. These supplies, then in stock, were set apart, remaining in the trading company's warehouses until the purchasers wanted them. These foraged miners refused to sell, and will keep their supplies in order to work their mines this winter.

Exorbitant prices have been asked at Dawson for all staples, since it became known that no more supplies could get up the river. Flour was bringing \$140 per hundred weight; bacon, 50 per pound, and other things in proportion.

A meeting had been held at which the food question was thoroughly canvassed and steps taken to ascertain how many men lacked supplies to carry them through the winter. These were notified by the Canadian police and the town authorities that they would have to be fed, or starve, or be killed.

Many took boats and started for Fort Yukon. Others intended going down on the ice after the river froze up.

Today's arrivals say that probably one hundred men will come up the river to the coast on the ice. In one party were Jack Dalton, after whom the Dalton trail was named; J. Magee and his son, of San Francisco; and H. A. Ferguson. The other party includes Joseph Boyle, of Glasgow, a British guide, W. C. Bates, of Spokane, A. Coline, H. Robertson and M. Buckins.

The two parties between them have \$8,000 in gold dust and drafts for over \$100,000. Ferguson has sold one of his claims for \$50,000 and brings out a power of attorney to dispose of interests in several properties on El Dorado and Bonanza.

Magee is a wealthy San Francisco man, who went in to purchasing mining properties. Dalton received \$50,000 for his claim, the two Magees and Ferguson out of the same claim.

Celme owns a quarter interest in claims Nos. 36 and 37, two of the richest on Eldorado Creek. They produce \$5,000 per month, and \$50,000 was taken out of one corner of No. 36.

Both parties were driven out by the food shortage. It cost Ferguson \$2,500 to get out. He paid \$400 for having himself and wife taken up the river thirty-five miles from Dawson. His wife died on the way to her life on the trail and was sent back to Dawson, where she will live on one of their claims this winter. Both parties experienced extremely cold weather coming out, the thermometer going 20 degrees below zero. Snow did not trouble them until they reached the coast.

Gates' next spring's clean up in the Klondike will yield fifteen to twenty million dollars.

Members of Dalton's party report that the Canadian police based notice that all without provisions must leave at once to escape starvation. Even Gold Commissioner Fawcett could not get supplies to feed his office force, and was compelled to send several clerks to Fort Yukon.

It is reported that late in September the steamers Bella and West were stopped at Circle City by eighty armed men and relieved of several tons of food.

One correspondent writes from Dawson that hundreds of men there have only a sack of flour, forty pounds of bacon, twenty-five pounds of beans, and five pounds of coffee, or an equivalent of this list, to last them until June.

They cannot work now on this allowance. Valuable claims, which could be bought a month previous at any price, were then being traded for provisions, and some of the richest men in the Klondike district were sacrificing nearly all their worldly possessions for grub.

GEN. CLAY'S WIFE VERY ILL.

### Another Young Man Mentioned as Her Suitor.

Whitehall, N. Y., Nov. 28.—Lord has just been received word that Gen. Clay's young wife, Dora, who was thrown off a horse several weeks ago, and was at that time supposed to have been slightly injured, is dangerously ill, as the result of her fall. Peritonitis has set in, and her physician considers her case serious.

Another young man has been mentioned as an ardent admirer of young Mrs. Clay. His name is Dan Tudor, and he lives near Gen. Clay. He was frequently seen with Dora, while the general was away, being treated by a Cincinnati expert.

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Disastrous Prairie Fire.

San Antonio, Tex., Nov. 28.—Another disastrous prairie fire has just swept over the greater part of Custer, Hale, and Lakota counties, completely destroying the range and many ranch buildings and two flocks of sheep. One numbering 2,000 head and the other 1,200 head were caught in the fire and every animal was burned to death.

Thousands Attend a Bull Fight.

Nueva Laredo, Mex., Nov. 28.—Several thousands Americans from all parts of Texas witnessed a bull fight here this afternoon. From the Mexican point of view it was a good exhibition and delighted the Mexican spectators. Two horses were killed and one bull fighter was seriously hurt by a bull.

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State Department Wants Her to State Her Intentions.

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